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5, 578, 813 (Allen)

This Patent describes the basic image correlation navigation technique used in the present invention.

5, 644, 139 (Allen)

This is a division of 5, 578, 813, and has the same disclosure.

5, 894, 302

(Scenna)

This Patent describes a mechanism for disabling a mouse when it is lifted from the work surface.

4, 794, 384

(Jackson)

This Patent describes a navigation technique that relies upon the production and correlation of speckle patterns.

5, 793, 357

(Ivey)

This Patent also describes a navigation technique that relies upon the production of speckle.

5, 089, 712

(Holland)

This Patent is a forerunner to the Allen Patents and relates to detection of media movement in one dimension, especially of fibers in paper being printed upon, using a correlation technique.

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